

[From the Mother's Magazine.]

HABIT OF STOOPING.

Mrs. W.—Madam,—In the third number (vol. II.) of your Magazine, I will try to throw the following question proposed:—"Is the influence of corsets more detrimental to the human frame than a confirmed habit of stooping?" I have thought a great deal on this subject, and, though not hitherto one of your correspondents, I will try to throw what light I can on it. From the manner in which the question is framed, one is led to suppose that corsets, though acknowledged to be injurious in themselves, are considered a remedy for an evil habit of stooping.—This I think can hardly be made out. I have seen corsets, braces, back boards and collars, all tried, and never knew any one of them to do the least good; but I will give you better authority in the views of a scientific physician on this matter.—After attributing the weak backs of English females of the higher class to their sedentary habits, Dr. Arnott, in his Elements of Physics, (page 212,) writes thus:—"A peasant girl, when her spirits are buoyant, is allowed to obey her natural feelings, and at proper times may dance, and skip, and run, until healthy exhaustion asks that repose which is equally allowed; and thus she grows up healthy and straight: but the young lady is receiving constant admonitions to curb all propensity to such vulgar activity, and often, just in proportion as she subdues nature, receives the praise of being well bred. The consequences soon follow of weakness in the body generally, from the want of the natural quantity and variety of exercise, but of the back particularly, from the manner in which it is sitting down is usually performed. A girl is allowed to sit down, because she has been long standing; but great care is taken that the muscles of the back, which still remain in action as she sits, shall not be at all relaxed; for, from the idea that it is ungraceful to loll, she is either put on a stool that has no back at all, or upon a very narrow chair, with a perpendicular back. Now neither of these relieves the spine.—The excessive fatigue soon causes the spine to give way and bend, and the curvature becomes permanent. When a bend has taken place in one situation, there immediately follows an opposite bend; above or below, to keep the centre of gravity of the body always directly over the base. Thus the curve becomes double, like an Italian S, and the distortion is complete. Strong, stiff stays are put on, to support the back; it is said, but which, in reality, by supporting the action of the muscles, intended by nature as the support, cause these to lose their strength, so that when the stays are withdrawn they are unable to support the body."—This I believe is all true—for how often do we hear young ladies say that they cannot sit up at all without their corsets. Men find no such difficulty, nor do the laboring classes, who do not wear them.—Dr. Arnott further says, (page 222) "stays therefore can neither help to make strong and well-formed backs, originally, nor can they be a remedy after the weakness has commenced." What then can do it? may be asked. I answer—docility, on the part of the child, may do much. She will remember her mother's wishes and anxiety, and will endeavor to sit up. Time and exercise will strengthen her back, which is frequently very weak, from a too rapid growth, that has not allowed the muscles to attain firmness. Walking frequently, for a short time, with a stick held in the hands by each end, and thus passed over the head, and placed across the shoulders, so as to expand the chest, is very serviceable; and the use of that long neglected utensil, the large spinning-wheel, by exercising the arms and back, and opening the chest, would tend to correct both the weakness and the habit of stooping. Heroines of old, could "guide the spindle, and direct the loom," and why not a modern young lady?

But I fear, Mrs. W., that all my good rules will be thrown away, till all-powerful fashion shall restore the ladies' sleeves to the natural place, for them, the joint of the shoulder, and not deprecate that a lady's arm is to begin halfway down to her elbow.—While the neck of the dresses come below the points of the shoulders, a young lady will be obliged to draw her shoulders forward, in order to keep her clothes tight across the back, and prevent them from slipping below that point that fashion, (little squeamish as she is,) considers the point of decency. To aid in keeping the dress in place, it must also be very tight at the waist, and here is another great evil.—When will good taste set the fashion, and teach us that it really is not beautiful to have a waist out of proportion to the rest of the figure; and that the natural rounding and expansion of bust, is more lovely than the flattened, sunken appearance, produced by a corset bone? It appears to me that even devoted to fashion and the world, might be made to see this—how much more than a sober-minded Christian mother, whose eyes are not blinded by the "God of this world," but whose earnest wish is to pursue what shall really be best for the welfare of her children. If these hints shall meet the eye of any such, and benefit her, or her offspring, my end will have been attained.

Gloucester C. H. Va. Sept. 9th, 1834.

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*We do not deem any such awkward or ridiculous practice as holding a stick over the shoulder, either necessary or serviceable. Ed.

MADNESS.

A man confined in jail as a lunatic made these observations:—"We that are locked up here, are only called mad, because our madness does not happen to agree with that of the rest of the world. Every body thinks his neighbor mad if his pursuits happen to differ from his own. His neighbor thinks the same of him; but then these two kinds of madness do not interfere with each other. Now and then, there comes an eccentric man who takes a just view of things, thinks them all mad—him the majority catch and lock up here. That's my case."

Tax Notice.

THE subscriber will attend to take returns and receive the Taxes for Chesterfield District, as follows, to wit: At Mr. Croghan, on Monday the 29th Feb. next, At Blakeney's Old Store, on Tuesday, 1st March next, At Michael Miller's, on Wednesday, 2d March next, At John Middleton's, on Thursday, 3d March next, At Spec's Mills, on Friday, 4th March next, At Steer-pen springs, on Saturday, 5th March next, At Chesterfield Court house, on Monday, 7th March next, On Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th March next.

The Collector will be found at his office at Chesterfield C. H. during Court week in March. All persons concerned must make their returns before the first day of May next, or a double Tax will be imposed without discrimination or respect of persons.

The collector will close his books on the first day of May next.

N. B. The Oath will be required in every instance as the law directs.

L. H. ALSBROOK.

T. C. C. D.

January 26, 1835.

Strayed

FROM the subscriber on the 24th Jan. last, a small horse MULE, with the usual marks, not broke, about three years old. It was heard from about Chesterfield C. H., and may go on towards Charlotte, N. C. Any information concerning the said mule will be thankfully received, and all trouble and expense paid to any one who will stop the same, and forward information to me, or to Mr. Brown Bryan at Cheraw.

P. W. PLEDGER.

Marlborough District, S. C.

Feb. 13, 1835.

Election.

AN election for Intendant and four Wardens for the town of Cheraw, will be held in the store of F. Long, Front Street, on the 1st Monday in March.

A. Blue, and R. C. Davis, Managers.

By order of the Council.

F. LONG, Clerk.

Feb. 16, 1835.

By the Atalanta.

JUST received this day, a few boxes of first rate CHEESE, for family use.

Apply to F. LONG.

Feb. 13, 1835.

Sheriff's Sales.

On Writs of Fieri Facias.

WILL be sold on the first Monday next, within the legal hours, the following property, to wit:

100 acres of land, more or less, adjoining the lands of Oram and Jones, and of J. Scholten, located on the property of John Scholten, at the gate of Muller's Tavern, in J. Jordan.

All the defendant's right and interest in his father's real estate, (100 acres, more or less) adjoining the land of John Arant, H. Flyer, A. A. Jones, and others, located on the property of Elijah Arant at the gate of A. Mulholland & A. Arant.

One small negro male, named as the property of A. B. Funderburk, of the son of J. O. Funderburk and others, to A. B. Funderburk.

One lot of land, 100 acres, more or less, containing more or less, 8 head of hogs, fifteen hundred weight of fodder, more or less, located on the property of Ashton Gregory at the gate of Hugh Bruns & A. Gregory.

The above property of A. Gregory's will be sold on the second day of sale at Col. Craig's plantation.

Terms—Cash, purchasers paying for Sheriff's fees.

ALFRED M. LOWRY, Sheriff, C. D.

Sheriff's Office, Feb. 9, 1835.

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Sheriff's Sales.

By order of the Ordinary of Chesterfield District, will be sold before the Court House on the first Monday in March next, within the legal hours, the lands lying on Fork Creek, near the Gold Mine, belonging to the estate of J. Mangum.

Terms.—So much cash as will pay the expense of the sale of the land, will be required on the day of sale. The balance in two equal payments, with interest from the day of sale. The first payment due the first day of January, 1837. The second on the first day of January, 1838. Purchaser to give bond and good security, and a mortgage on the property to the Ordinary, if deemed necessary to secure the purchase money.

ALFRED M. LOWRY, Sheriff, C. D.

Sheriff's Office, Feb. 9, 1835.

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Goods at Cost.

WE will sell our remaining stock of Dry Goods, Hardware, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Clocks, and Over Coats, with many other articles at Cost for Cash, to close our business.

D. & J. M. LLOYD.

We have on hand a fine stock of Sugar, Coffee, Molasses, Salt, Mackerel No. 1, 2, and 3, in barrels and half barrels, Northern Flour, Pickled Beef, Raisins, Iron, Steel, &c. &c., which will be sold low for cash.

N. B. Those persons indebted to us by Note or Book account, will oblige us by calling and settling the same.

D. & J. M. LLOYD.

Cheraw, Feb. 16, 1835.

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Rice, Mackerel, Lime & Hay.

20 TIERCES RICE, 100 bbls Mackerel, 30 casks Stone Lime, 10 loads Hay.

For sale by LACOSTE & MCKAY.

Feb. 15, 1835.

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JOHN I. WESTERVELT.

respectfully informs his friends and customers, that he has received his Stock of

DRUGS & MEDICINES

and is prepared to meet the wants of the Public in any article in his line of business.

February 9th, 1835.

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THE Underigned take the liberty of informing their customers and the public generally, that they still continue to keep at their old stand a large and complete assortment of

Dry Goods, Hats, Shoes, Groceries, Hollow ware, Hardware and Cutlery, Wagon Boxes, Blacksmith's Tools, Axes, Spades and Shovels, Soap, Candles, Cheese, Bagging, Bale Rope and Twine, with most other articles kept for sale in this market, all of which they will sell low for cash or country produce.

We take this opportunity of wishing all our customers a happy new year; but particularly those who may call soon and settle their accounts, as they thereby will make the new year pleasant to us.

J. & C. POWELL.

Cheraw, Jan. 4, 1835.

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PETIT GULF COTTON SEED.

Of Late Importations,

JUST RECEIVED per steam boat Atalanta, and for sale by

FELIX LONG.

Jan. 19, 1835.

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Summons in Partition.

Samuel McDaniel vs. B. L. Henagan and others.

Appearing to the Court that Alexander McDaniel, Roderick McNaair and Mary his wife, who are defendants in this case, reside beyond the limits of this State, Ordered, on motion of Graham & McQueen Attorneys for petitioner, that publication be made in one of the public papers of this State, twice a month for the space of three months, that the said defendants appear and show cause, if any they can, why a writ of partition should not issue, according to the prayer of the petitioner, and in case of default that their consent be admitted of record.

A true copy from the minutes.

GEORGE BRISTOW, c. c. f.

Marlboro Feb 9 13-5 tm

Land and Negroes for Sale.

ON Thursday, the 25th of this month, I will sell to the highest bidder, the tract of land on which I live, near Simms' old store.

Also Twelve likely young Negroes; two good work Horses, one Mule, one roke of Oxen, and a stock of Cattle, Corn and Fodder. Household Kitchen Furniture, Plantation Utensils, and a number of other articles too tedious to mention.

The above mentioned property will be sold on a credit until the first day of January next. The purchaser will be required to give a note with approved securities.

ISHAM GARROTT.

Anson County Feb. 9, 1835.

Bank of Charleston.

PUBLIC NOTICE.—The Stockholders of this Bank, are hereby informed that the payment of the FOURTH INSTALLMENT of Twenty-five per cent on each share, equal to Twenty Five Dollars per share, will be required at their Banking House, between the hours of 9 and 2 o'clock, P. M., on the 1st Monday and Tuesday in March next, which will be the 7th and 8th days of that month. By order of the Board.

A. G. ROSE, Cashier.

The Columbia Telescope, and Camden and Cheraw papers, will insert the above advertisement.

Feb. 9, 1835.

Picked Up.

ON the 1st of March, near Chesterfield Court House, on Monday last, a POCKET BOOK containing receipts, accounts, &c. The owner is requested to come forward and prove it, and pay for this advertisement.

ALEX. W. CHAPMAN.

Cheraw, Feb. 9, 1835.

Notice.

WHEREAS J. C. McKnight, and A. C. Adams, have assigned to me all their rights in Books, Notes, &c. in payment for the benefit of all their creditors, who shall present their demands to me by the first of March next, duly authenticated, and upon receiving a dividend, discharge the said McKnight & Adams. Notice is hereby given to all those creditors who are willing to avail themselves of the benefit of the assignment, to present their demands to me on or before the first of March next, duly proved, otherwise they will be excluded.

JAS. W. BLAKENEY, Assignee.

Cheraw, Feb. 9, 1835.

CHERAW ACADEMY.

THE Trustees take great pleasure in announcing to the public that Mr. and Mrs. Davis have arrived and taken charge of their respective departments in this Institution. They bring with them testimonials of the highest character, from Governor Everett, and other distinguished individuals of Massachusetts.

Mr. Davis is a gentleman of extensive literary attainments, and a high reputation as a teacher, and is intended to devote his life to the education of youth.

He will qualify young men for admission into the South Carolina, or any other College in the United States, or for entering upon the active duties of life without a College course.

Mrs. Davis, who has charge of the Female Department (under the general superintendence of Mr. Davis) has for several years had the management of a female school, in which she acquired a high character both as a teacher and a disciplinarian.

Miss Harding who gave so great and universal satisfaction last year, will continue one of the assistants. From the prosperous condition of the school, other teachers will shortly be employed.

Miss Baker who is well approved as a Teacher will continue to give lessons in Music.

The Trustees have been so fortunate as to procure Mrs. Watson, late of Society Hill, to take charge of the boarding house for girls, in whom, no one is better qualified for the situation.

For board, lodging, washing, fuel, and candles, per quarter, \$30.00

Terms of tuition per quarter.

For reading, writing, and spelling, 5.00

The above, with English Grammar, arithmetic, and Geography, 6.00

The above, with the higher branches of English, including Geography with the use of the Globes, History, ancient and modern, Grammar, Rhetoric, Composition, Natural, Moral, and Intellectual Philosophy, Chemistry, Botany, Mathematics, Drawing and Painting, the Latin and Greek languages, French, Spanish, and Italian, 10.00

Music, 12.50

The whole charges payable quarterly in advance.

The Trustees confidently recommend this institution to the public as being equal to any in the State.

THO. E. POWE, Sec. and Treasurer.

Jan. 1835.

BROWN BRYAN

HAS CONSTANTLY ON HAND, A GENERAL ASSORTMENT

OF DRY GOODS,

GROCERIES, GLASS & CROCKERY WARE,

HARDWARE & CUTLERY.

His stock comprises a very general assortment of goods under the above heads. His customers may expect to get any and every thing as low as the market will afford.

Cash paid for Cotton, and liberal advances made on cotton left to be shipped to New York or Charleston.

A constant supply of COTTON YARN from the factory of Col. Williams near Society Hill.

Expected daily, Raisins, Flour, Butter, Cheese, and Potatoes.

THE Subscriber is agent for Messrs. D. Ritter & Son, of New Haven, Conn. Cutlers, who will fill orders for all descriptions of Gravy Stones, and ornamental Monuments, of the best Newbridge Marble. Drawings may be seen on application. Prices and credit will be made as accommodating.

BROWN BRYAN.

POLICIES will be issued upon Buildings, Merchandise in Store, and on the river and from Charleston and Georgetown, also on Cotton in store. Persons living in the country, and towns adjacent, by giving a description of their property, can have it insured against loss or damage by fire.—Nov. 17, 1834.

B. BRYAN, Agent at Cheraw, for Insur. Co. of Columbia, S. C.

Nov. 17, 1835.

PRAYER BOOKS

FOR SALE at the Book Store—some of them very fine. The price low.

A. VARIETY of glass Lighthouses for sale at this Book store; some fine.

BOOK BINDING.

THE subscribers have established themselves in the above line of business in Cheraw, and offer their services to their customers.

G. BAZENCOURT, & CO.

Cheraw, S. C. Jan. 26.

DISSOLUTION.

THE co-partnership of Graham & McQueen in the practice of Law, is dissolved. A. Graham may be consulted at his office at Cheraw, Jan. McQueen at Bennett's office.

ALEX. GRAHAM, JNO. MCQUEEN.

Jan. 18, 1835.

Negroes for Sale.

WILL be sold before the Court House in Camden, on Thursday, 25th of February next, and the day following, from 90 to 100 likely negroes, consisting of the whole of the negroes of the Estate of John C. McKnight, deceased.

There is a first rate Carpenter, Blacksmith, and Cooper in the number, and probably there is not a gang of negroes in the State superior to the one now offered for sale in moral and physical qualities.

Will be sold at the same time and place, the Mules and Wagons of said estate, and on Saturday following at the plantation of said deceased, all his stock of Cattle, Hogs, plantation tools, several thousand bushels of Corn, &c. &c.

The terms of sale for the negroes will be a credit of one, two, and three years, with interest from the date payable annually—purchasers giving bonds, or approved securities, with approved personal security, and a mortgage of the negroes. The balance of the price of one year with interest, the purchaser giving sealed notes bearing interest from the date, and approved personal security.

All sums of fifty dollars and under, cash—Purchasers to pay for papers.

CAROLINE L. MCRA.

Executive John C. McKnight.

Camden, 26th Jan. 1835.

D. B. MCARN.

HAS the pleasure of stating to his friends and customers, that he has been successful in saving the most of his goods from the late destructive fire. He has taken a stand on Market street, one door east of Moore's hotel. All who wish to purchase are respectfully and cordially invited to call and examine his stock. If he has the articles to please, he will not stand on prices.

Dec. 22, 1835.

CIRCULAR.

The Board of Trade of the City of New York, respectfully address the following Circular to the Merchants of the United States, who trade with this city:

YOU are aware that on the night of the 16th of December last, an unprecedented Conflagration destroyed an important portion of our city between Wall and Broad streets, embracing the Stores of many wealthy and enterprising Merchants.

Last an apprehension should prevail that this loss may render our merchants unable to furnish the usual amount and variety of merchandise heretofore exhibited in this market. The Board of Trade have much satisfaction in giving the assurance that the Merchants whose stores were destroyed, have removed to other, and are prepared from fresh importations to continue their business with their usual assiduity.

The Board of Trade therefore deem it proper to give this public assurance that none need postpone their usual time of visiting the city, confident that they will find the market well supplied as usual, and their correspondents equally able to supply their demands.

HUGH AUCHINCLOSS, President.

JOHN ELL, Recording Secretary.

New York, Jan. 16, 1835.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT.

AUGUSTINE SHEPHERD has opened a House of Entertainment in the new building, recently fitted up, opposite the market, and is ready to accommodate Travellers and Boarders, in hopes by industry and unremitting attention to merit a share of public patronage.

Cheraw, Jan. 12, 1835.

ALL persons indebted to the late firm of McKnight & Crockett, are requested to come forward and settle the same, as I am desirous to close the books.

R. H. CROCKETT, Surviving partner.

January 12, 1835.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

THAT large, new and commodious two story house on Kershaw street, next below the residence of Mr. Van Norden. Also the lot and house next to the above. Terms of sale favorable; and an absolute sale would be preferred to a lease.

In the absence of the undersigned application to be made to Hubbard Pearson, or to J. C. Cobb.

BEN. F. PEARSON.

Nov. 17, 1835.

Notice.

KATHERINE MCQUAGUE, the wife of John McQuague, mechanic and trader of the town of Cheraw, do hereby give notice that from and after the 14th day of March next, I intend to become a sole trader.

CATHERINE MCQUAGUE.

Cheraw, Feb. 5th, 1835.

OPERATIONS ON THE TEETH.

By J. Lee, M. D. of Camden, S. C.

DR. LEE will return to Cheraw on the 1st of Feb. and will remain a week or two. He will attend to the usual operations in Dentistry: such as the setting of natural Teeth, incorruptible and other artificial Teeth; plugging with gold or other metal